

In the Claims:

Claims 1-20 (canceled)

Claim 21 (new): A method for returning mail to a sender comprising:

receiving an article of mail, said article of mail including a sender postal address and a recipient having a recipient postal address;

determining that said article of mail is to be returned to said sender postal address;

providing information with said article of mail wherein said information can be used to help said sender attempt to locate said recipient; and,

delivering said article of mail and said information to said sender postal address.

Claim 22 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 21, wherein said information that can be used to help said sender attempt to locate said recipient includes at least one of a machine readable code, telephone number, postal address, e-mail address, domain name, and Uniform Resource Identifier (URI).

Claim 23 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 21, wherein said providing said information with said article of mail includes at least one of a marking said information to said article of mail and attaching said information to said article of mail.

Claim 24 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 23, wherein said marking said information to said article of mail includes at least one of a stamping and inking said information to said article of mail.

Claim 25 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 21, wherein said information that can be used to help said sender attempt to locate said recipient is in a form of an advertisement.

Claim 26 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 21, further including a mail delivery service at least one of a determining that said article of mail is to be returned to said sender postal address, providing said information with said article of mail that can be used to help said sender attempt to locate said recipient, and delivering said article of mail and said information to said sender postal address.

Claim 27 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 26, wherein said mail delivery service includes at least one of a mail carrier, parcel carrier, and postal carrier.

Claim 28 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 21, further including determining that said article of mail is to be returned to said sender postal address after determining that at least one of a recipient and first recipient postal address can not be located.

Claim 29 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 21, further including marking said article of mail return to sender after said determining that said article of mail is to be returned to said sender postal address.

Claim 30 (new): A delivery method comprising:

    determining that a first message from a sender having a sender email address can not be delivered to a recipient having a first recipient email address;

    generating a second message having information that can assist said sender in attempting to locate said recipient wherein said information includes at least one of a second recipient email address and one or more web addresses corresponding to one or more recipient web pages, wherein said second recipient email address includes said first recipient email address; and,

    delivering said second message to said sender email address.

Claim 31 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 30, wherein said second message includes at least a portion of said first message.

Claim 32 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 30, wherein said determining that said first message can not be delivered includes determining that said first recipient e-mail address no longer exists.

Claim 33 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 30, wherein said information that can assist said sender in attempting to locate said recipient is in a form of at least one of a hyperlink reference, redirect command, and advertisement.

Claim 34 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 30, wherein said generating said second message having information including said second recipient email address includes generating said second recipient email address by adding one or more domains to said first recipient email address.

Claim 35 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 34, wherein said at least one domain of said one or more domains is a top level domain.

Claim 36 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 30, said first recipient email address is of a form "user@host.gTLD" and said second recipient email address is of a form "user@host.gTLD.ccTLD".

Claim 37 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 30, wherein said web address includes at least a portion of said first recipient email address.

Claim 38 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 37, said first recipient email address is of a form "username@domainname" and said web address is of a form at least similar to one of a "scheme://domainname/username", "scheme://domainname/~username", and "scheme://username.domainname".

Claim 39 (new): The method, as set forth in claim 30, further including providing an ability for said sender to at least one of a create and select at least one of a second recipient email address and one or more web addresses corresponding to said one or more recipient web pages.

Claim 40 (new): A computer program product comprising computer readable program code stored on a computer readable medium, the program code adapted to execute a delivery method for determining that a first message from a sender having a sender email address can not be delivered to a recipient having a first recipient email address, generating a second message having information that can assist said sender in attempting to locate said recipient wherein said information includes at least one of a second recipient email address and one or more web addresses corresponding to one or more recipient web pages, wherein said second recipient email address includes said first recipient email address, and delivering said second message to said sender email address.